**Year 7 Persuasive Writing Checklist**

Once you have completed your writing it is very important to check your work for punctuation, grammar, spelling and the appropriate requirements for the persuasive genre.

Use this checklist to guide you through the proofreading process.

**Opinion**

1. Have you explained your information so that your audience will see the validity of your point of view?

**Subject and opinion**

1. Have you made it clear to your reader why the issue is important?
2. Have you taken a firm stance and stated your opinion simply and clearly?

**Opinions/Facts/Examples**

The use of good sources and persuasive devices will strengthen your argument

1. Have you used your (research) to make your argument come alive?
2. Have you included persuasive devices that will persuade your reader to your point of view? (E.G statistics and rhetorical questions)

**Rebuttal**

1. Have you included a rebuttal paragraph before your conclusion?
2. Have you shown that you recognize others’ views and explained how your arguments and information are stronger or more convincing?

**Conclusion**

It is important to leave a strong impression with your conclusion

1. Summarize your point of view and end with a strong ending

2. Always remember not to introduce any new points at this stage.

**Punctuation**

1. Does each sentence start with a capital letter?

2. Does each sentence have end punctuation?

3.Do my contractions have apostrophes?

**Grammar**

1. Does each sentence complete a thought?

2. Do the subjects and verbs agree? (Singular and plural)

3. Do verb tenses agree?

4. Have I used pronouns tp make my writing interesting?

**Spelling**

1. Does the spelling of all words look right?

2Have I checked words that are easy to confuse?

3 Have I used a dictionary or computer spell check?